### NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE BASEBALL WORLD

League Magnates to Meet Next Tuesday.

A Suggestion of the Rules Committee Meets With Disapproval.

Views of a Number of the Admirers of the National Game-Other Items of Interest.

The League magnates will meet at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, on Tuesday next, to close up all unfinished business and enact new legislation in the way of amendments to rules and adopt the schedule, as heretofore stated in The

It is believed the session will not occuore than two days, as the adoption of rules is always a formal affair and is soon disposed of. President Young has furnished each club owner with a copy of the report of the rules committee, and those who imagined they had a kick coming have registered their complaints, so it will not be necessary to have any conference reports to settle differences of opin-

trades, and it is more than probable that and relegated to the shades of memory.

baseman if they are to be obtained, as an additional precaution against accidents or disappointments. But these much desired artists would have to be topnotchers to receive consideration, as the Washington team is now reasonably strong.

The Chicago Club had some bargaincounter remnants to dispose of in order to make room for new material. Ed Hanlon secured about the only bargain that was on the market, yet Hart is resourceful and may make some trade that will strengthen his team.

Buck Ewing wants a third baseman and has a deal on for Lave Cross which may

The New York club is in great need of an outfielder and a third baseman, and there may be some surprises sprung in that direction. When Freedman wants a man he wants him badly and will not let money stand in the way, realizing as he does that he must brace up his club if he desires to get into the game.

Ed. Hanlon is in shape to help those of his neighbors who are shorthanded. The Times has every confidence that the approaching season will be a prosperous one and that the club owners will recoup some of last season's losses. With every-body in line and all working in harmony for the public good and pleasure, success will be assured. Of course the "yellow" sporting papers will continue to make ugly faces and say mean things about the magpates, but that will have no bad effect on a wise and discriminating public.

No feature of the game, recognized by the rules and which is popular and pleas-ing to spectators, should be amended or

The sporting editor of The Times has talked with baseball scribes and fans in reference to the proposed change of sec-tion 5 of rule 42, which will make a caught foul-tip a strike, and all, with a single ex-ception, denounce the proposed change as unfortunate and ill-timed. It adds to the burden of the pitcher, disgusts the catcher, does not promote base running, and lengthens the game. The only advantage is with the batsman, as it will give him ore opportunity to increase his batting verage. The best interest of the sport will be subserved by maintaining the old rule. The following are the views of some

It robs the game of one of its most in-teresting and pleasing plays. I fall to see any feature in it that should meet with approval. The old rule is good enough." Michael B. Scanion: "I cannot under-stand why the rules committee wants to

use its ax on one of the most popular fea-tures of the game now recognized by the present rules. Had they desired to make a popular change they should have made a foul tip, caught immediately behind the bat or within the 10-foot limit, an out instead of a strike, as is now provided. I foot understand why Ed Haulon, with his knowledge of the game, could give his consent to a change that looks ridiculous the Louisville club all possible success.

If Mr. Brush would publish, in cold type, what rom all standpoints. I hope it will not be

Dan J. Walsh: "The proposed rule will inflict great hardship on a pitcher, and I cannot see where the batter will be beneany great extent."
Allison: "When I read the pro-

Doug Allison: "When I read the pro-posed change I almost fell out of my chair with surprise. It is the silliest and most ridiculous proposition that I ever read or eard of emanating from men professing to be critics of the sport. Instead of killing all the bright and pleasing features of the game they ought to invent others as desirable. This innovation ought not to be considered for a moment."

Ted Sullivan: "I cannot see how the proposed change will improve interest in the game. It destroys one of the most popular features. It would be almost suicide to adopt it."

Charlie Abbey: "I think the proposed change of section 5, rule 42, is all right. It will increase batting and that is what

the people want."
J. W. Swank: "A repeal of the present rule making a foul tip an out, will very seriously impair, if not entirely destroy, one of the prettiest features of the game, while it adds nothing as compensaon in other directions. The opinion that will increase batting and base running is problematical. The magnates surely will not endorse this nonsensical proposi-

in the suggestion of the rules committee, The present rule is a good one, and it allows one of the prettiest features of the game. It would have been better to let gh alone, and give attention to plays that could be improved."



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fan, who is evidently a thirty-third degree rooter:

It take pleasure in reading the baseball ifems in your paper, as I am what you pewspaper men call a femule crank. I plead guilty to the jour nalistic impeachment, though I may be denounced by some staid and dignified sisters for this acknowledgment of what they may call feminine depravity. But I can't help it, and I don't believe I want to, if I could. I love outdoor exercise, the runshine and the flowers, the birds, and the showers, that refresh and keep green earth's beautiful landscape, and of course I love hall games. Attending the games is one of my most agreeable and pleasant pastimes. I have employment that is onerous and irksome, and were it not for the pleasure the great national game affords me, I would become a victim of nervous prostration, Pardon me for the monotonous introduction, but what I want to say is: Some time ago I wrote a letter to Mr. Wagner, who has always been so courteous and considerate to us Washington female fans, asking him if it was his intention to favor us again, as formerly, by setting apart two days in the week as "Ladies" Days" at National Park. Not receiving a reply, I concluded to write to you, as you seem to know all about such things. An answer in your columns will be greatly appreciated. Truly yours,

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The Times does not know what Mr. The Times does not know what Mr. Wagner's intentions are in this regard, but will promise "Fanny" to use its very best efforts to accomplish her desire. When a baseball game becomes a preventative of nervous prostration it should be generously administered, and it is believed that Mr. Wagner will prove to be a good Savaritan under such circumstances. good Samaritan under such circumstances

This time last year the sporting columns of the newspapers were burdened with encomiums for Jack Doyle. The Washington club was congratulated from Maine to California for having secured his services. Local papers vied with each other in lauding his professional virtues. Now there is no paper that will de gn to do him-reverence. How the mighty has fallen! Once Doyle occupied the highest pinnacle of fame in his profession, but by The meeting is regarded by some as one fraught with possibilities of sales and down from those heights with a dull thud

consummated. For instance, Boston wants another catcher and would like to have Charley Farrell. Irwin can spare the "Duke," and if sufficient inducement is offered Boston can secure the man.

Arthur Irwin is willing to pay big money for another star pitcher and a crack third baseman if they are to be obtained, as an

Charley Comiskey and Tom Loftus will be on hand March 14, the day fixed for the sale of the St. Louis franchise. These gentlemen give it out that they mean busines and are prepared to make good any bid they may make. Loftus says he is not acting in the interest of the Western League for the purpose of compelling Frank De-Haas Robison to abandon Cleveland, but that he is acting in good faith and wants Robison gets it, it will be because of higher bid. the franchise if he can get it and that if

### DIAMOND DUTS.

Cleveland has released Outfielder Frank to Day in. He needs more experience, ton. He needs more experience.

Pitcher Hughes, of the Orioles, is conching the team of Santa Clara College, out in California.

Connie Mack, manager of the Milwankee team, expects great work from "Cy" Swaim the com-

Manager Watkins has adopted the uniform of the Providence Grays for the Pittsburg club, it being pearl gray, with blue trimmings, and jack-ets to metch.

The Cincinnati club started for Columbus, Ga., last Thursday to begin training. Ewing took six teen men South. teen men South.

Walter Brodie and Joe Kelly, of the Orioles, began active training at the Johns Hopkins "cage" last Friday. Robinson and McGraw will begin training next week. These four players have been doing a great deal of bowling this winter and need very little training to get into first-class condition.

condition.

Same time ago a youngster named Hunt, who aspires to break into the National League, went to Manager Shettaline, of the Phillies, and asked to be given a trial. Shettaline took the matter under consideration, and has finally consented to take Hunt along South with the team. Hunt haits from Traverse City, Mich., and comes well recommended. He is 5 feet 10½ inches high, and weighs 165 pounds.

Bighter, of "Snorting Life." featured John T.

Richter, of "Sporting Life," featured John T. Brush in six different headlines in last week's saue, to say nothing about paragraphs. Mr. frish is to be congratulated for the enemy be has made.

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Pink Hawley, it is alleged, refuses to sign a contract on account of the temperance pledge terein. This is past understanding, as Hawley was never regarded as a follower of Bacchun. The trouble with Pink is that he is always desirous of ante-season advertising, and this clause in his contract gives him an opportunity. He may be opposed to sumptuary laws on principle, but he should not allow such matters to interfere with his interests. with his interests.

Tim Murnane is quoted as saying that the League needs a Napoleonic leader. We agree with Tim that the League is in need of a killer of Napoleonic proportions, but it ought to be a fool-killer, with a robust constitution and capable of great endurance.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM WON.

New Orleans, Feb. 25.-The Speed Handicap, the stake feature of today's card, a race for three-year-olds and upward, was well named, for it brought together the shiftiest lot of sprinters at the track. The distance was six furlongs, and seven ac cepted the weights. Of the lot Merry Day was the favorite, and was backed down to even money. With O'Connor up it looked very inviting. Takanasse ruled second choice, with the others ranging in price from sixes to fifteens. Starter Fitzgerald got them away at the first break, and, as usual, Merry Day went to the front. At the three-eighths pole he was five lengths to the good, but turning into the stretch grandstand. Merry Day quit, and was beaten two lengths. Takanasse was third. The Dragoon, at 8 to 1, won in a drive from Dandy H., the second choice, in the rom Dandy H., the property of the Dra-goon, 8 to 1, won; Dandy H., second;

goon, 8 to 1, won; Dandy H., second; Frince Harry, third. Time, 1:31.
Second race—Four furlongs. Johnny F., 19 to 1, won; Caviar, second; Harney's Last, third. Time, 0:50 3-4.
Third race—One and a quarter miles. Tonto, 9 to 10, won; Annie Taylor, second; Babe Fields, third. Time, 2:10 3-4.
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Fourth race—Six furlongs. The Star of Bethlehem, 15 to 1, won; Merry Day, sec-ond; Takanasse, third. Time, 1:16. Pifth race—One mile. Lady Disdain, 2 to

 won; McAlbert, second; Jim Conway, third. Time, 1:43 3-4.
 Sixth race—One mile. Jennie F., 3 to 1. on; Fleeds, second; Prince of India, third. Time, 1:44 1-4.

A Original Excuse.

(From Puck.) Sunday School (From Face.)

Sunday School Teacher-Now, Joshua, did you learn the forty-second verse of the thirty-fourth chapter of the sixteenth epistle of St. John to the Philippiane, as I told you lest Sunday?

Small Boy-No'm; ma's pressing out autumn leaves in that chapter, and I dam't monkey with it, at all.

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## REFORMS IN COLLEGE SPORTS AGREED UPON

Close of the I. A. A. A. Annual Meeting in New York.

A Combination to Include Yale, Harvard, and Pennsylvania.

Keith Donaldson, of Princeton Elected President - But Few Changes in the By-Laws.

New York, Feb. 25.-Reform was the watchword of all the colleges represented at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate A. A., held in the Fifth Avenue Hotel this evening. The situation, badly mixed as it was at the end of the executive and advisory committee meeting Friday night was cleared up at an extra session held this morning, at which Harvard insisted for some time on the amendments present ed by her representatives.

After a long discussion concessions were made by the framers of the University of Pennsylvania amendments and a combination formed, including Harvard, Yale, and Pennsylvania, by which a majority of delegates were brought into line on the principal subjects involved. J. P. B. Duffy and J. E. Milligan represented Georgetown at

the conference.

After the minutes of the previous annual meeting were read Hamilton College was elected to membership and her representatutions, in arrears with their dues, were dropped from the roll: Boston University, Brown, California, Iowa, Lehigh, Leland Stanford, Michigan, Pennsylvania State

of great endurance.

Richter intimates that John T. Brush is a hypnotizer. He need not fear that Mr. Brush will try any Svengall methods on him. Brush has other demands on his time.

Stannord, Allengan, Prendys It will be rather expensive hereafter for outfielders to rush into the diamond when a dispute
is on in order to mix in. In all such instances
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steps of the porch.

A glance at the once white collar showed



vote. Any alumnus may get the floor on a two-thirds vote of the association. Article 17, containing the clauses relat-ing to the eligibility for competition, then came up. After much wrangling the

amendment was agreed to in this form: If a student has represented a college in any intercollegiate track meeting in which more than three colleges or universities participate and has won a point in any event, he shall not be eligible to represent any other college heroafter in intercollegiate meeting until he shall have resided two calendar years at the college or suiversity he represents and has passed an annual examination on two full years' work.

The provision discriminating against schoolboys who have won prizes before entering college was also modified. The amendments as finally agreed to allow schoolboys to compete and win prizes in these events as well as in special games open to schools held under the auspices of athletic clubs. This was another con-

cession to Harvard, whe, with Princeton, has fought the schoolboys battles. The most serious dispute of the meeting occurred over the rule which gives to the faculty committee of four the power of a A vote by roll call resulted in favor of giving increased power to the faculty com-

But few changes were made in the by-laws as recommended by the advisory committee. The proposal to insert a re-lay race in the list of events at a cham-pionship meeting was rejected in execu-tive session and approved by the meeting. Some changes were made in the order of events. events

The election of officers was then in order. It was evident that a state had been prepared, as each of the following nominees was elected by unanimous ballot:
President, Keith Donaldson, Princeton;
Honorary Vice Presidents, J. C. Boland,
Syracuse University, and P. B. Reilly,
Fordham College; Secretary, J. B. Van
Vlick, New York University; Treasurer,
W. R. Quinn, Columbia, executive com-Vlick, New York University, Itassure, W. R. Quinn, Columbia; executive com-mittee, T. R. Fisher, Ir., Yale; F. R. Nourse, Harvard; R. H. Rippley, Ir., Cor-nell, and C. L. McKechan, of Pennsylvania. The executive committee held a short seathe annual championship meet, and Oliver

Shiras, manager. After adjournment the delegates interested in the new association which will govern interscholastic bicycle races held a meeting. H. K. Bird was elected tempor-ary chairman. The committee appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws the annual championship meeting on the first Saturday in June was not accepted. The time and place of the meeting will be

and was agreed to without discussion in the following form:

The president of the association, immediately after his election, shall appoint a faculty committee after surprise those not next to the facts. Patience may case to be a virtue with Brush; he may start a rumpus at any time and nail some fellows when they least expect it. This might be a good thing, as the baseball situation is in need of a little ventilation.

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They were going out the other evening and though it was one of the nippingest of the cold nights, as they did not have far to go, they decided to walk.

But when they reached the bouse of the friend they were to visit and stood in the dimly lighted vestibule one of his ears was in such a state that both he and she were almost sure that it was frozen. He be gan to rub it diligently, remarking that he had better not go in where it was any warmer till it had slightly thawed, while she, with the best intentions in the wo rushed forth and procured a handful will "knock out" the Grip and leave | gnow, which she clapped\_over the suffer no bad after effects.

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manded flercely, and looking down into his immaculate handkerchief. There she saw a mass of solid blackness much resem-

steps of the porch.

A glance at the once white collar showed that the dirt had done its work, and without making that call they tramped back

home again in sullen silence.

He hasn't forgiven her yet, but then, of course, after the collar has visited the laundry and the handkerchief the wacherwoman he may forget, and you know for giveness is the next step. (From the Somerville Journal.)

Hicks-Here, take this 2 cents.

Wicks-What for?

Hicks-Take it, 1 say! There, now; go bu
rounself a better cigar than that you're smokled.

## CHAMPION CREGAN ENTERS THE LISTS

Grant of Harvard.

Local Athletic Indoor Meeting Will Be a Brilliant Affair.

New York Athletic Club Will Have a Team in the Intercity Race.

From present indications the indoor ath letic meet, to be held at Convention Hall on Saturday, March 11, will be an all-star

The entries already received include most of the cracks in all lines in college athletics, and even if no others enter it will be the greatest aggregation of "star" performers ever seen south of New York. Add the "coming" men, the dark horses, and the performers in interscholastic events, for whom special races have been prepared, and the list of performers will reach about 125. The local admirers of athletics have in store for them a treat such as is the good fortune of but few cities to have.

An entry has been received from John F. Cregan, captain of the Princeton University track team. This star will cer-

resity track team. This star will certainly add increased lustre to an already brilliant constellation, and Manager Duffy and Captain Mulligan are delighted at receiving the entry, not only because of the great attraction, but because the great runner had decided to go out of training on March 1, but out of compliment to Georgetown and to aid in the effort to introduce indoor athletics here he decided to continue his work and sent his entry.

Cregan is the half-mile and mile champion of the Intercollegiate Association, having won both events at the last games. He is a small man, but has an enormous stride and is regarded as the most greeful distance man in the collegiate world. He has developed very rapidly within the last two years and is thought to have the two distances cinched at the next meet. He will run in the mile open and in the collegiate. The work done by Foley with the new rewesting has developed from a novice into an exceedingly fast schoolboy sprinter, while Owens, who last year was but medium, is now the fast-captain duling has the collegiate was but medium, is now the fast-captain decided to go out of training on March 1. What Cansed Him to Restore the stolen will be found in the mile open and in the collegiate world. Sheridan will be found in the mile open and in the collegiate world. He has developed very rapidly within the last two years and is thought to have the list two years and is thought to have the list two years and is thought to have the list two years and is thought to have the list two years and is thought to have the forty-yard handleap. Sheridan, and Hirst. Mulligan, Cwens, Ewing. Sheridan, and Hirst. Mulligan, Cwens, Ewing. Sheridan, and the going into a house where I scooped in downstairs a miserable little lot of worn and bear the forty-yard handleap. Sheridan will appear in the 80-yard run, while the specific provided to form the list of the will not a strict of the provided to in interest every day, and the men now entered comprise the cream of the coun-try. It was thought a week ago that Grant, of Pennsylvania, would capture the closed event, but the entry of Cregan puts a different aspect upon the situation, and it will be hard to pick the winner. Dessez. Stuart, and Mechling are hard men to kill off, as all are capable of following any pace made, and the knowing ones pre-dict that if the visitors make the game to suit themselves they will find the local men topnotchers as sprinters and the chances favor the prizes being kept in this

High Schools.

Twelve men are now trying for places on the Washington team for the intercity race, and the men will be picked on

## **CURE DRUNKARDS**

ELOQUENT WORDS FROM A WIFE WHO RESCUED HER HUSBAND FROM A TERRIBLE HABIT.

Secretly Gave Him a Remedy in His know it." Coffee and He Now Rejoices With Her.

Who can doubt that there is a cure for drunkenness when we have such an clo-quent and emphatic statement from Mrs. Katie Lynch, 329 Ellis Street,



MRS. KATIE LYNCH.

San Francisco, Cal.? She says: "My husband was a hard drinker. There never was a doubt in my mind but what liquor had so worked upon his nerves as to actually control his appetite. Like most men who drink he was kind and generous when sober but the rum demon usually had the better of him and his wife had to suffer. One day I concluded to try a remedy called Golden Specific, which it was said would cure the liquor habit secretly. So I mixed some of it with Mr. Lynch's food for a few days and put a lit-tle in his coffee. I could scarcely conceal my agitation and fear lest he should suspicion me for he had suddenly taken a dislike to liquor, said he despised the stuff, and was the most remarkably changed man you ever saw. I kept bravely at it determined to not waver in my attempt to cure him and I soon found out that my mission was a complete success and that Golden Specific had wrought almost a miracle for me. I want other women to profit by my example and am glad to learn that Dr. Haines, who discovered Golden Specific, will generously send a trial package to every woman who writes for it.

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# BEFORE DURING AFTER

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March 1. A. R. Speare, of this city, the unattached local sprinter, will, it is thought, be able to secure a place, and the

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events on March 11.

The work done by Foley with the new men is really remarkable. Ewing has de-

The Baltimore entries have not yet come in, but information has been received that the Orioles are getting together a team which will prove a winner and they prom-

A STORY OF CAMP M'CALLA. Wigwagging That Relieved an

Angry Officer's Feelings.

(From the New York Sun. The Spaniard had slunk away from the men topnotchers as sprinters and the chances favor the prizes being kept in this city.

Another man who is a prime favorite with the local public is Curtis (1902), of Princeton, who will be seen in the fifty yards hurdle and in the high jump. Curtis, who was the best all-around athlete of last year's crack Central High School team, will accompany the captain of Princeton.

The Spaniard had slunk away from the chance from the American marine and they were satisfied. The buzzard-picked bones in the simmering valley of Cusco, where "Fighting Bill" Elliott and his 200 men trapped the lurking guerrillas, were a warning to which the Spanish troops at Caimeanra paid heed. Camp McCalla was as peaceful as a State gathering of militia. The warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the warships in the outer harbor of Guantanamo lay still on the chance of the American marine and they were satisfied. The buzzard-picked bones in the simmering valley of Cusco, where "Fighting Bill" Elliott and his 200 men trapped the lurking guerrillas. race, is desirous of entering a team in the intercity competition, and if the consent of the Washington and Baltimore runners can be secured the Mercuries will be allowed to enter their quartette. It is not the shore with rarely an angle of the whole who will be allowed to enter their quartette. It is not the washington and Baltimore runners in the shore with rarely an angle show the whole who will be allowed to enter their quartette. It is not the shore with rarely an angle shows the warm blue waters with no search and the shore with rarely an angle shows the warm blue waters, with no search and the shore with rarely and the shore wi intercity competition, and if the consent of the Washington and Baltimore runners can be secured the Mercuries will be allowed to enter their quartette. It is not known who will comprise the team to be sent as representatives of the metropolis, but the flyers last year were Wefers, Burke, Long, and Lyons.

It is doubtful if the king of sprinters will again wear the emblem of the New York club, but the other three men still compete under the colors of that organization, and with Tewksbury added they should have no trouble in taking away the cup. Burke has done 48 1-2 seconds for the quarter, Long is but a second slower, Tewksbury will cover the distance in flightly, while Lyons can be depended upon to

Tewksbury will cover the distance in fifity, while Lyons can be depended upon to
do fifty-one.

The Central High School, of Philadelphia, will be unable to send a full team,
but saveral were will cover the distance in fifthe talk was about the three days of steady
fighting they went through after landing.
They knew they had done good work, and
they were telling one another incidents,
some bergie and some account. the crimson and gold of the Quaker City school. Brown Preparatory, of the same ity will also receive will also receive with the control of the same in about it all. Pretty soon there came city, will also enter four men in the fifty yards for schoolboys and the half mile for preps, as will Wilmington and Norristown High Schools. contrast he offered, coming as he did from one of the warships in the harbor, with the camp-soiled and fight-torn uniforms of the officers in the land battalion was very striking. His brother officers greeted him warmly, for, aside from any personal reason, a new face was welcome, as it meant news of some sort from the other world, from the fleet of Santiago, or perhaps from

The newcomer seated himself on a box of hardtack and joined in the conversation concerning the repulse of the Spaniards in their attack upon the camp. "Boys," he said hesitatingly, "I heard

something on one of the colliers today that I did not like. I don't believe it, but as it concerns you all, I think you ought to "Ob, we're not thin skinned any more said one of the officers on shore. "It'll have to be pretty tough to worry us after our little experience of the last few days."
"Well, this will worry you, if anything

will," replied the visitor.
"What was it?" asked several.
"Why, I heard," went on the visitor."
"that if it hadn't been for the Cubans you fellows would have been wiped out. They say you flunked the Sunday night the Spanlards jumped you and that the Cubans had to rally you. The report is all over

the fleet."

There was just a moment of silence, while several of the men who had faced death all through the fighting without flinching looked at one another a little flinching looked at one another a little queerly and then grew angry. The accursation was so unjust, so unexpected, coming from their own branch of the service, too, that they hardly knew what to say cr do. Then a big fellow with a full black beard grew red in the face and stood up. "Who told you that?" he asked as his eyes flashed in an ugly way.

His brother officer told him, naming a lieutenant on one of the ships in the harbor.

"Go back to him," said the angry man, "and tell him for me that he's a liar. Tell

him I'm sorry I can't go over there to say it myself." So indignant was the speaker that the other officers forgot for the moment the reflection upon them contained in this gal-ley gossip, and they laughed.
"No. don't tell him," went on the angry

officer. I'll do it myself. I'll let him know what I think of him, even if I can't get at him." With that he abruptly left the sheltering mess tent and strode out into the blazing sun along the trail leading up the bluff to where the camp proper was and where the flag planted on the ruins of a Spanish blockhouse the day they first set foot on Cuban soil, still waved defiance to the impotent Spanish general in Caimena-ra. The others watched him as he storm-ed along through the chaparral, kirking the variegated land crabs from his pathway. They saw him climb laboriously up the steep winding ascent and slip in front of the signal tent where stood a signal boy leaving against a gray rose. In his hand leaning against a guy repe. In his hand the boy held the red signal flag with the white square in the centre. Grabbing it from the private the officer made three or

four passes in the air. "He's calling -- 's : the officers in the mess tent, as he read the signal. "What's he going to do?" enquired one

of the others, and we all stood up to calling, and finally there came an enswering signal from the ship he wanted. Then the officer below read this message from

the bill:
"Present Mr. —'s compliments to Mr.

Avoid Substitutes. - and say to him that he's a damned

other men, judging from present work, will be Dessez of Georgetown, Beatty of Columbian, and Mulligan of Georgetown.

The number of candidates now trying for places of the Convertown University of the Convertors of the Convertown University of the Convertors of the Conv Whereupon, the wigwagger, having let The number of candidates now trying for places of the Georgetown University I am has been increased to forty, and of these twenty-five are now at the training table, but the entire forty will contest to the contest of the contest o

This opportunity never came. Explana-tions followed the next day, the offending officer declaring that he had but repeated reports heard by him, and a lasting peace was arranged. However, had the Spaniards been able to read the American signal code, they would no doubt have been somewhat surprised by this particular

party open income ing there.

"When I got along to where I could see in through the crack between the door and the piano I saw a young man sitting in that room on the edge of the bed, a young fallow maybe 18 or 20, very much downthat room on the edge of the bed, a young fellow, maybe is or 20, very much down-cast just now, and sitting there with his elbows on his knees and his head in his hands, looking very dejected and listening to a woman talking, who sat on the edge of the bed too, down by the footboard of it. She was dressed in black, and she was a wilow, as I could tell by looking at her easy enough, and as I learned in a minute by hearing her talk.

"And of course the boy was her son.

"And of course the boy was her He must have come into the house just before I did and she was sitting up waiting for him, and now she was talking to him. I was rum, of course. But she didn't growl at him, nor find fault with didn't growi at him, nor find fault with him, nor pick at him at all. She loved him you know better 'n anything on earth and it broke her heart pretty near to see him drink, and she ast talked along to him that way and at out how his father was gone and he was all she had left now, and all that sort of thing, you know, and the more I heard her talk the more I thought I did not want the pesky old spoons. Poolydarn thin and no account they were any-



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